Prior authorization requirements changes effective November 1, 2019

Effective November 1, 2019, prior authorization (PA) requirements will change for the following services. These services will require PA by Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield for Medicare Advantage members. Federal and state law, as well as state contract language and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services guidelines (including definitions and specific contract provisions/exclusions) take precedence over these PA rules and must be considered first when determining coverage. Noncompliance with new requirements may result in denied claims.

PA requirements will be added to the following codes:

- **0026U** — Oncology (thyroid), DNA and mRNA of 112 genes, next-generation sequencing, fine needle aspirate of thyroid nodule, algorithmic analysis reported as a categorical result
- **0533T** — Continuous recording of movement disorder symptoms, including bradykinesia, dyskinesia, and tremor for 6 days up to 10 days; includes setup, patient training, configuration
- **0534T** — Continuous recording of movement disorder symptoms, including bradykinesia, dyskinesia, and tremor for 6 days up to 10 days; setup, patient training, configuration of monitor
- **0535T** — Continuous recording of movement disorder symptoms, including bradykinesia, dyskinesia, and tremor for 6 days up to 10 days; data upload, analysis and initial report configuration
- **0536T** — Continuous recording of movement disorder symptoms, including bradykinesia, dyskinesia, and tremor for 6 days up to 10 days; download review, interpretation and report
- **0546T** — Radiofrequency spectroscopy, real time, intraoperative margin assessment, at the time of partial mastectomy, with report
- **33270** — Insertion or replacement of permanent subcutaneous implantable defibrillator system, with subcutaneous electrode, including defibrillation threshold evaluation
- **33271** — Insertion of subcutaneous implantable defibrillator electrode
- **77299** — Unlisted procedure, therapeutic radiology clinical treatment planning
- **81205** — BCKDHB (branched-chain keto acid dehydrogenase E1, beta polypeptide) (e.g., Maple syrup urine disease) gene analysis, common variants (e.g., R183P, G278S, E422X)
- **81219** — CALR (calreticulin) (e.g., myeloproliferative disorders), gene analysis, common variants in exon 9
- **81250** — G6PC (glucose-6-phosphatase, catalytic subunit) (e.g., Glycogen storage disease, Type 1a, von Gierke disease) gene analysis, common variants (e.g., R83C, Q347X)
- **81302** — MECP2 (methyl CpG binding protein 2) (e.g., Rett syndrome) gene analysis; full sequence analysis
To request PA, you may use one of the following methods:

- **Web:** [https://www.Availity.com](https://www.Availity.com)
• **Phone:** Call the Provider Services number on the back of the member’s ID card for PA requirements.

Not all prior authorization requirements are listed here. Detailed prior authorization requirements are available to contracted providers by accessing the Provider Self-Service Tool at [https://www.Availity.com](https://www.Availity.com). Contracted and noncontracted providers who are unable to access Availity may call the Provider Services number on the back of the member’s ID card for PA requirements.